MINUTES OF JANUARY 5th, 1921.

The Board of Public Works met at the office of the Board of Public Works in Baltimore on Wednesday, January 5th, at 2:30 o'clock, P. M.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor, E. Brooke Lee, Comptroller, John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

The minutes of the meetings of December 16th and December 20th, were read and approved.

The letter of The P. & H. Morton Advertising Company, asking permission to erect signs on the property owned by the State at Maryland and North Avenues, was considered. The Secretary was directed to advise the Company that the space on the property for this purpose had already been disposed of.

The Secretary was directed to advise The Bond Buyer and the Daily Bond News that the Board does not desire to advertise bond issues in those publications.

The Secretary was directed to advertise the bond issues provided for in the Resolution of December 20th, 1920, in the Manufacturers Record.

The Secretary informed the Board that the Treasurer had notified him that Messrs. Maury & Donnelly-Williams Company had returned \$565.00 of the premium on the cancelled policies covering the power boat "Hiawatha".

The Secretary was directed to notify Messrs. E. J. Richardson and Sons that the Board does not desire to renew insurance placed through that Company on the power boat "Murray" in the sum of \$4,000.00 which expired on January 2nd, nor the insurance on the power boat "Queen Anne" in the sum of \$4,000.00 which will expire on January 27th. The Secretary was directed to place these policies through the firm of Meeker and O'Donnell.

The Secretary was directed to request Charles H. Reed, Belair, Maryland, to renew the <u>insurance</u> in the sum of \$25,000.00 on the State Armory at Belair, and the insurance in the sum of \$1,500.00 on the furniture and equipment of the Armory, which insurance expired on January 5th.

The Secretary was directed to notify William S. Gordy, Jr., Salisbury, to renew two policies on the power boats "Talbot" and "Kent" for \$5,000.00 each placed through him, and which will expire on January 27th.

The Board approved the placing of \$13,000.00 insurance on the new barn at the House of Correction through Charles H. Stanley, and directed the Secretary to pay the bill for the premium. The Secretary was directed to send the policies to the State Treasurer. The following letter was received from Mr. Stanley:

"Laurel, Maryland, December 23rd, 1920.

Mr. Philip B. Perlman, Secy. of Board of Public Works, 1313 Fidelity Building, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Sir;

I am enclosing you herewith the following policies covering for \$13,000.00 on Barn at Bridewell, in the name of the Board of Prison Control of the State of Maryland. They are:-

Policy #N22667- L.L.G. \$5000.00, expiring Dec. 18, 1923.

#450 - Fidelity-Phenix-\$3000.00, expiring Dec. 18, 1923.

#3672- Hartford- \$3000.00, expiring Dec. 18, 1923.

As it was necessary to use the Three-fourths Value Clause, I therefore wrote it for \$13,000.00, instead of \$15,000. which you said would be alright.

Thanking you for your kindness in this matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Charles H. Stanley."

The Board directed the Secretary to inquire from Ignatius Bjorlee, Superintendent of the <u>Maryland School for the Deaf</u>, the reason for the bill for \$10.02 received from F. G. Thomas and Son for insurance incurred on account of changes in the boilers at the Institution.

The Secretary was directed to make a report as to the facts under which a bill for \$28.60 from Messrs. Parr and Parr on account of error in payment of premiums was incurred.

The Secretary was directed to inform the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company and the National City Company that the Board did not need the services of those companies in connection with the issuance of bonds.

The Board directed the Secretary to return to the Union Trust Company the proposed leases for offices of the State Auditor, Bank Commissioner and Board of State Aid and Charities in the Union Trust Building. The leases as proposed covered the period from January 1st, 1921, to May 31st, 1924. The Secretary was directed to inform the Union Trust Company that the Board did not desire to sign leases for a period longer than one year.

The Board considered the following letter:

"THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF COM-MISSIONERS OF PLUMBING, 303 Builders Exchange Building, Baltimore.

January 3rd, 1921.

Hon. Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of State of Maryland, Union Trust Building, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of a letter from the Builders Exchange this A. M. enclosing a copy of the letter sent you. From my conversation with the Secretary of the Builders Exchange, it is their intention to increase the <u>rent</u> One Hundred Dollars per annum.

As these quarters are well adapted for our use, the Board is anxious to remain in these offices. We believe the increase to be fair and equitable and trust that you will find it possible to arrange for a new lease.

Awaiting your further commands, I am,

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) Aug. V. Eidman,

Executive Secretary."

The Secretary was directed to notify the Maryland State Board of Commissioners of Plumbing that it would approve an increase amounting to \$100.00 per annum in the rent paid the Builders' Exchange of Baltimore.

The Governor submitted to the Board the report of the State Auditor under date of November 29th, 1920, in reference to the books and accounts of the State Roads Commission. The report was ordered filed.

The Board approved the payment of the following $\underline{\text{bills}}$ by the Secretary:

| December 15, 1920: | |
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| Contingent Fund: | |
| To Underwood Typewriter Co., rent of type- | |
| writer for Md. Council of Defense | 4.00 |
| To Hicks, Tase & Norris, Inc., chest for | , |
| papers of Md. Council of Defense | 4.12 |
| To C. & P. Telephone Co., balance of ser- | |
| vice to Md. Council of Defense | 97.89 |
| To American Ice Co., ice for Baltimore office | • |
| November, 1920 | 2.50 |
| December 20, 1920: | |
| Rent of Baltimore offices; | |
| Board of Public Works | 231.25 |
| State Auditor | 70.84 |
| Bank Commissioner | |
| Board State Aid and Charities | 70.84 |
| Advisory Board of Parole | 75.00 |
| State Plumbing Board | 41.66 |
| State Board of Health | 125.00 |
| Contingent Fund; | |
| To C. & P. Telephone Co., St. Paul 4300, | 5 0 -5 |
| December bill | 32.03 |
| To Union Trust Building, local service for | 00 45 |
| December (See bill for rent herewith) | 28.45 |
| December 31, 1920: | |
| To Ridgely P. Melvin, State printer, being | 407 50 |
| balance due on State Printing Contract | 427.50 |

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Sectetary to the Board.